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<b>PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF</b>	)	
<b>AN OXIDIC CATALYST COMPOSITION</b>	)	
<b>COMPRISING A DIVALENT AND A</b>	)	
<b>TRIVALENT METAL</b>	)	

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed in the above application on July 1, 2008. Applicants hereby respectfully request entry of the amendment and reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on Page 4 of this Response.

**CERTIFICATE OF SUBMISSION**

I hereby certify that, in the course of ordinary business, this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office via EFS-Web on the date indicated below.

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